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EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: PGOV, OTRA, XH, WB, GW

SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH BERLIN MAYOR SCHUETZ

1. SUMMARY: MAYOR SCHUETZ TOOK OPPORTUNITY OF MY CALL AUGUST 24 TO GIVE HIS VIEWS ON THE CURRENT STATE OF PLAY OF OSTPOLITIK, EXFILTRATION ISSUE, AND INTERZONAL TRADE OFFICE CONTROVERSY. HE ALSO SAID HE DID NOT EXPECT TO ATTEND THE UNGA SESSION THIS FALL. END SUMMARY.

2. IN THE COURSE OF CALL ON BERLIN MAYOR SCHUETZ TO INTRODUCE NEW SENAT LIAISON OFFICER, SCHUETZ DISCUSSED A NUMBER OF TOPICS IN LIGHT OF HIS RECENT TALKS IN BONN WITH CHANCELLOR BRANDT AND FOREIGN MINISTER SCHEEL.

2. CURRENT STATE OF OSTPOLITIK: SCHUETZ SAID THAT HE THOUGHT THAT FRG AND THE EASTERN EUROPEAN STATES HAD  
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GOTTEN THEMSELVES LOCKED INTO OPPOSING POSITIONS ON

QUESTION OF FRG REPRESENTATION OF BERLIN INTERESTS ABROAD. FACT WAS EE COUNTRIES NOW WERE UNABLE TO MAKE UNILATERAL ADJUSTMENTS THEIR POSITIONS, AND IMMEDIATE CONSEQUENCE IS THAT BRANDT WOULD HAVE TO CANCEL HIS VISIT TO PRAGUE. (IN AN ASIDE, SCHUETZ SAID THAT HE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND WHY BRANDT HAD TO MAKE SO MANY EE VISITS IN THE FIRST PLACE.) MOSCOW AND WARSAW VISITS HAD MADE GREAT POLITICAL SENSE; PRAGUE DID NOT.) SCHUETZ BELIEVES THAT SENAT COULD LIVE WITH A SOLUTION BY WHICH THE RIGHT OF THE FRG TO REPRESENT BERLIN INSTITUTIONS IN CZECHOSLOVAKIA AND IN OTHER EE COUNTRIES WOULD NOT BE DEALT WITH IN THE AGREEMENT TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, PROVIDED THE CZECHS AND OTHERS PREPARED TO AGREE TO ACCEPT PRINCIPLE OF FRG REPRESENTATION OF BERLIN INSTITUTIONS IN FUTURE TREATIES ON LEGAL ASSISTANCE.

3. EXFILTRATION: SCHUETZ FEELS THAT THE ISSUE MAY NOW HAVE COOLED OFF SOMEWHAT. HE CONSIDERS STATE SECRETARY GRABERT'S INTERVIEW A SERIOUS MISTAKE, FOR IT PUT FRG IN POSITION OF ASSUMING RESPONSIBILITY FOR PREVENTING EXFILTRATION FROM THE GDR. THE ONLY RESPONSIBILITY FRG HAS ASSUMED, HE SAID, IS TO TRY TO INSURE THAT THE TRANSIT ROUTES ARE NOT MISUED. HE CITED GRABERT'S THREAT THAT FRG MIGHT PROSECUTE PERSONS FOR FORGING PASSPORTS AND SAID THAT FORGED PASSPORTS ARE NOT NECESSARY FOR EXFILTRATION VIA THE TRANSIT ROUTES BUT ARE USED IN OTHER EXFILTRATION METHODS (E.G., OVER EE COUNTRIES, ETC.) FOR WHICH THE FRG CLEARLY HAS NO RESPONSIBILITY. SCHUETZ SAID THAT HE PERSONALLY AND EVEN POLITICALLY COULD NOT OPPOSE COMMERCIAL EXFILTRATION OPERATIONS PROVIDED THEY DID NOT CRIMINALLY EXPLOIT PEOPLE.

4. MOVEMENT OF IZT OFFICE: SCHUETZ SAID THE ISSUE HAD BEEN SETTLED. BONN AGREED THAT THE INTERZONAL TRADE OFFICE FOR THE MOMENT WILL NOT BE MOVED FROM WEST BERLIN TO THE FRG OFFICE IN EAST BERLIN. HE THEREFORE COULD NOT UNDERSTAND WHY THE BONN GOVERNMENT DID NOT MAKE THE DECISION PUBLIC AND PUT THE ISSUE TO REST. IN FUTURE, WHEN NEW INTER-ZONAL TRADE AGREEMENT IS NEGOTIATED, THEN THE QUESTION CAN BE REOPENED. THAT IS WHAT ALL THE PARTIES TO THE CONTROVERSY HAVE AGREED TO. CONFIDENTIAL

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5. SCHUETZ AND FALL UNGA SESSION: SCHUETZ SAID HE WILL NOT VISIT THE UNGA THIS FALL. THERE WAS NEVER A DECISION TAKEN TO PUT HIM ON THE FRG DELEGATION. HOWEVER HE HOPED TO GO WITH BRANDT TO NEW YORK AND THEN ON TO ASPEN IN CONNECTION WITH A BERLIN ENTERPRISE, BUT HIS SCHEDULE WILL NOW NOT PERMIT IT. HOWEVER THERE WILL BE A BUNDESTAG MEMBER FROM BERLIN IN THE BRANDT DELEGATION,

HE SAID.KLEIN

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